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VIA FACSIMILE AND AIRBORNE EXPRESS

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board Mercury Building 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

Re:

Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 596X)

CSX Transportation, Inc. - Abandonment

Exemption in Lorain County, Ohio

Dear Sir:

This letter is in reference to the above captioned proceeding wherein the Board granted permission for the abandonment of approximately 1.17 miles of railroad from Milepost BJ-161.00 to Milepost BJ-162.17. By decision dated August 16, 2002, the Board granted CSX Transportation, Inc.'s ("CSXT") request for an extension on the time to file a notice of consummation until November 25, 2002. CSXT would like to request an additional short extension on the consummation date. As such, CSXT requests that the Board allow CSXT until January 24, 2003 to consummate the above abandonment. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

Very truly yours,

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